UPDATE NETWORK WITH SUPPORT FOR LIFECYCLE MANAGEMENT OF UPDATE PACKAGES AND MOBILE HANDSETS

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An update network supports lifecycle management of update packages that are accessed by mobile handsets that are capable of updating its firmware/software employing an update agent. Specifically, a carrier network of the update network selectively disseminates update packages to mobile handsets employing a server that is capable of retrieving the update packages from an update store in the carrier network. The update network facilitates lifecycle management of update packages as well as the lifecycle management of mobile handsets.